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Senate Resolution 650

By: Senators Butterworth of the 50th, Williams of the 19th, Rogers of the 21st, Thomas of the 54th, Unterman of the 45th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Prevent Child Abuse Habersham and recognizing April, 2009, as Prevent Child
- 2 Abuse Awareness Month at the state capitol; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, child abuse violates a child's privacy, dignity, security, and humanity; and
- 4 WHEREAS, the crime of child abuse is the systematic use of physical, emotional, sexual,
- 5 and psychological abuse to children, including the neglect of a child and their basic needs;
- 6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, the problems of child abuse are not confined to any group or groups of people;
- 8 child abuse cuts across all economic, racial, and societal barriers and is supported by societal
- 9 indifference; and
- 10 WHEREAS, child abuse affects individuals, families, and communities throughout this state
- and across the United States; and
- 12 WHEREAS, survivors of child abuse serve as strong advocates for preventing child abuse
- and dedicate their efforts to bringing protection to children and increasing public awareness,
- 14 education, and training for parents; and
- 15 WHEREAS, during the month of April, Prevent Child Abuse Habersham will conduct
- several events in order to raise public awareness of child abuse; and
- 17 WHEREAS, on April 1, 2009, Prevent Child Abuse Habersham will hold a kickoff event at
- Habersham Medical Center, and throughout the month of April, the organization will utilize
- 19 the local radio, television, and newspaper media to spread the message of the importance of
- 20 preventing child abuse; and

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21 WHEREAS, the contributions and efforts of Prevent Child Abuse Habersham and others

- working to prevent child abuse are worthy of recognition.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 24 commend Prevent Child Abuse Habersham on their efforts to spread the message of the
- 25 damaging physical and psychological effects of child abuse and recognize April, 2009, as
- 26 Child Abuse Prevention Month at the state capitol.
- 27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 28 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Prevent Child Abuse Habersham.